

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1 1. A system for archiving a collaboration over a network, the
2 collaboration having plural media, the system comprising:
3 an input adapter operable to accept each media of the collaboration over a
4 network interface;
5 an archive engine operable to accept the plural media of the collaboration from
6 the input adapter and to format the plural media of the collaboration for
7 storage as a session that temporally relates the plural media over the
8 duration of the collaboration;
9 an archive database operable to store the session; and
10 an output adapter operable to retrieve an archived session for replay of the
11 collaboration.

- 1 2. The system of Claim 1 further comprising a scheduling engine
2 operable to schedule the input adapter for communication with the plural media of the
3 collaboration.

- 1 3. The system of Claim 1 further comprising a bookmark engine
2 interfaced with the archive engine and operable to set temporal bookmarks in the
3 session, wherein the output adapter is further operable to retrieve an archived session
4 for replay at a bookmark.

- 1 4. The system of Claim 1 further comprising a speech recognition engine
2 interfaced with the archive and operable to convert audio media into a transcript.

- 1 5. The system of Claim 4 wherein the speech recognition engine is
2 further operable to provide a temporal map of speaker identity over the duration of the
3 collaboration.

- 1 6. The system of Claim 1 wherein the plural media comprises a visual
2 presentation having plural pages and wherein the archive engine is further operable to
3 associate other media of the session with a page of the presentation.

1 7. The system of Claim 1 wherein the archive engine comprises:
 2 an audio engine operable to format audio information for archiving;
 3 a video engine operable to format video information for archiving;
 4 a structured events engine operable to format structured events for archiving;
 5 an application specific engine operable to format application specific
 6 information for archiving; and
 7 a temporal engine operable to temporally relate archived information as a
 8 session.

1 8. A method for archiving a network collaboration having plural media,
 2 the method comprising:
 3 interfacing with the network to receive the plural media;
 4 formatting each of the plural media for storage as a temporally related session
 5 that relates each media over the duration of the collaboration;
 6 storing the session in an archive database; and
 7 retrieving all or selection portions of the stored session for replay of the
 8 collaboration.

1 9. The method of Claim 8 wherein the plural media comprise audio,
 2 video and application specific media.

1 10. The method of Claim 9 wherein the application specific media
 2 comprise a shared application document.

1 11. The method of Claim 8 wherein the plural media comprise structured
 2 events media.

1 12. The method of Claim 11 wherein the structured events media
 2 comprises instant messages.

1 13. The method of Claim 11 wherein the structured events media
 2 comprises e-mail.

1 14. The method of Claim 8 wherein interfacing with the network further
2 comprises initiating communication with an archive engine as an endpoint of the
3 collaboration.

1 15. The method of Claim 8 further comprising:
2 inserting a bookmark into the session to provide a temporal reference; and
3 retrieving the archived session at the temporal reference with the bookmark.

1 16. The method of Claim 8 further comprising:
2 transcribing audio media of the collaboration; and
3 storing the transcribed audio media in the archive temporally related to the
4 audio media.

1 17. The method of Claim 16 further comprising:
2 identifying voices associated with the transcribed audio media; and
3 visually depicting the identified voices along a time line of the collaboration.

1 18. The method of Claim 17 wherein retrieving selected portions further
2 comprises retrieving portions of the collaboration associated with a temporal voice
3 identification.

1 19. The method of Claim 8 further comprising:
2 associating temporal display of a document during the collaboration with
3 contemporaneous information of one or more of the plural media; and
4 indexing in the archive the temporal display of the document and the
5 contemporaneous information of the one or more plural media.

1 20. The method of Claim 19 wherein retrieving selected portions further
2 comprises retrieving the document and the indexed contemporaneous information of
3 the one or more plural media.

1 21. The method of Claim 20 wherein the indexed contemporaneous
2 information comprises audio information.

- 1 22. The method of Claim 20 wherein the indexed contemporaneous
- 2 information comprises video information.